

# 2016 PERFORMER SELECTION BOOK

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This booklet and a calendar of performers booked by Winnefox is located on the WLS Extranet SLP page.





The intent of this Performer Selection Booklet is to provide Winnefox Library System member libraries with the most accurate and up-to-date information about local performers who have responded to our annual request for information. Inclusion in this booklet does not guarantee performers bookings and it does not constitute an endorsement or promotion of any individual or group by Winnefox Library System.

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# **WLS Participation Options and Guidelines for Booking Performers**

## **Level 1: Full Assistance**

### **Do Not Arrange or Sign a Contract Between Your Library and the Performer.**

Contact the WLS Administration Office by phone, fax or email to request a booking. Provide the following information with your request:

- Artist contact information (if not included in this book)
- Location & address your performance will be held
- Desired date & time of performance and 2 alternatives

Winnefox staff will contact the performer to arrange and finalize the booking ASAP upon receipt of the request and send you a confirmation of the booking.

After Winnefox staff have finalized a booking, we will:

- Obtain a signed contract & W-9 form from the performer
- Make revisions to your booking if needed
- Mail reminder postcards to the performer 2-3 weeks prior to the booked performance
- Issue a check payable to the performer and send it to your library one week prior to the performance
- Bill your library for reimbursement after the performance date has passed
- Send 1099-Misc tax forms to performers

## **Level 2: Partial Assistance**

### **Do Not Sign a Contract Between Your Library and the Performer.**

After your library has contacted the artist to prearrange a booking (discuss programming, hold date, etc.) contact the WLS Administration Office by phone, fax or email to request a performer be booked for your library. Provide the following information:

- Specifics discussed and prearranged with the performer (date, time, location, cost, etc.)
- Artist contact information (if not included in this book)

Winnefox staff will contact the performer to finalize the booking ASAP upon receipt of the request and send you a confirmation of the booking.

After Winnefox staff have finalized a booking, we will:

- Obtain a signed contract & W-9 form from the performer
- Make revisions to your booking if needed
- Mail reminder postcards to the performer 2-3 weeks prior to the booked performance
- Issue a check payable to the performer and send it to your library one week prior to the performance
- Bill your library for reimbursement after the performance date has passed
- Send 1099-Misc tax forms to performers

## **Level 3: Informational Support Only**

If you choose to arrange bookings, issue contracts & payment, and process performer tax forms (W-9 & 1099-Misc.), Winnefox will gladly offer assistance to you by answering any questions you may have.



# 2016 PERFORMER SELECTION FORM

Library: \_\_\_\_\_

Library Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Performance Location:  
Include address if not at library \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember:

- You may pre-arrange a booking with the performer & still have Winnefox issue payment and take care of the tax forms.
- You cannot sign a contract with the performer if you want Winnefox to issue payment and take care of the tax forms.

Entertainer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Use a separate form for each entertainer & attach contact information if they are not in the selection book.

Enter your dates of choice in order of priority.

Date

Time

1<sup>st</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> choice \_\_\_\_\_

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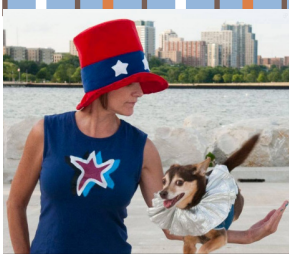




## Performers That Did Not Submit Info Last Known Information

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Grady, Tammy (Ms. Frizzle)	tammy.l.grady@gmail.com	
Grisack, Billy (Mr. Billy)	misterbillyrocks@gmail.com	misterbilly.com
Jocham, Jay	4rhino@maqs.net	
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Matysik, Greg (Casey & Greg)	Not Available in 2016	Will be available in 2017
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# Amy Ammen



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Pewaukee, WI 53072

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**Contact Preference:** 1st email; 2nd phone

**Best time to call:** 12 pm - 4 pm M-F

**Stage Name:** Amiable Dancing Dogs

**Performance Title:** How to Be a Dog's Best Friend

**Performance Description:** Dancing Dogs perform dance numbers and trick routines of course, but it isn't all eye candy. The Dancing Dogs and I share the secrets of "How to Be a Dog's Best Friend" including what NOT to do when you are frightened by a dog, the importance of showing Rover respect, and the three steps to follow if you want to pet a friendly-looking dog. The program is interactive and participants win nifty prizes. Following our final dance, everyone is invited to pet the performing dogs using the techniques we discussed.

**Length of Program:** 25 minutes plus 15 minutes for petting

**Theme Incorporation:** Dogs LOVE exercising, activity, and sports and, as your best friend they want to be included - train your dog, teach them cool things, and take them everywhere!

**Fee:** \$425

**Mileage:** \$1 per mile

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Jeffrey Carpenter

**Contact:** Jeffrey Carpenter

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Appleton, WI 54913

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**Best time to call:** 11:30 am -12:00 pm or 3:15-4 pm

**Stage Name:** J. Freddy your *Wellness Referee*

**Performance Title:** On Your Mark, Get Set, READ!

**Performance Description:** Join J. Freddy as he pumps your readers up using audience participation, storytelling, comedy magic, and of course books to present entertaining information about sports, fitness, wellness, and more. This goal directed theme program tailored to the audience's age and interests is designed to motivate your readers to read more books. As a school library media professional, Jeff motivates readers in an entertaining manner to use their local library.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Audience participation, magic tricks, and book talks will engage readers. Watch as a jump rope is cut and restored. Magic linking rings are used to teach about the Olympics. Listen as each patron shouts the name of the sponsor, librarian, or public library while playing a theme related BINGO game. Book talks increase your library's circulation as J. Freddy, dressed as a "referee" character, will deliver this entertaining program where patrons discover how their local public library is a place to learn how to take charge of their body through the choices they make every day.

**Fee:** \$165 per 45-60 minute program

**Mileage:** \$0.50 per mile.

**Discount:** 10% discount for multiple bookings on the same day

**Artist Comments:** Optional Workshops following performance:

*Super Hero balloon workshop* Library patrons make balloon animals and figures to take home. In addition, audience watch a super hero be created using balloons for the librarian to keep for the library or give away.

*Hero in you magic workshop* Attendees learn how to do a variety of magic tricks, and receive "hands on training" on how to do perform them. Please call to discuss pricing.

# Pam Corcoran Corcoran Puppets



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**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** 1 - 4 pm

**Stage Name:** Corcoran Puppets

**Performance Title:** The Adventures of August and June: Have Fun and Be Fit

**Performance Description:** Uncle August is a gentle wizard who has a pet baby dragon, June. He wants to do the very best he can to help June grow up to be a strong, healthy, and happy dragon. In this episode, Uncle August and June learn the importance of exercise in helping bodies grow strong and stay healthy, and how to choose healthy snacks after working up an appetite.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes (includes hand puppet manipulation demo)

**Theme Incorporation:** The Adventures of August and June fit right in with the 2016 theme. Uncle August gets his information from a book, emphasizing the importance of reading, while encouraging children (and baby dragons!) to get exercise.

**Fee:** \$350 per show

**Mileage:** Fee includes first 50 miles from Stevens Point. Additional mileage charged at **\$0.55 per mile**

**Discount:** \$25 discount for bookings made before February 1

**Artist Comments:**

# Jim Cruise The "Spoon Man"



**Contact:** Jim Cruise

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**Secondary Phone:**

Jenison, MI 49429

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**Website:** <http://www.getspooned.com/library.htm>

**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** Anytime

**Stage Name:** The "Spoon Man"

**Performance Title:** The "Spoon Man" An Interactive Physical Comedian

**Performance Description:** I am a musical interactive physical comedian who plays 2 ordinary household table spoons. What is nice about my program is that it appeals to all ages. I use old time music as well as contemporary music with lots of audience participation. Everyone will have the opportunity to get "Spooned"

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** I will talk briefly about exercising the mind through reading and fitness.

**Fee:** \$500 for 1 show  
\$400 per show when 2 are booked  
\$300 per show when 3 are booked

**Mileage:** Mileage is included in the fee.

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

## David HB Drake Organic Arts



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Milwaukee, WI 53207-2301

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**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** Anytime

**Stage Name:** David HB Drake

**Performance Title:** KIDSTUFF

**Performance Description:** KIDSTUFF is a sing-and-clap along hootenanny for kids featuring some of America's favorite folk tunes. David plays familiar and audience accessible songs for kids on the banjo, dulcimer, flute, and concertina and introduces each instrument is a musical "show and tell. There's lots of audience participation as David gets the kids up to dance along, so sign language, and more! David's KIDSTUFF CD is a Winner of the PARENTS CHOICE Award for Children's Music.

Songs from this program are available on David's "KIDSTUFF" CD!

**Length of Program:** 50 - 55 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** There aren't too many "sports/fitness/wellness" folk songs for children. KIDSTUFF is a positive, honest "let's have fun together and be friends" kind of program, the tried and true songs that have enchanted and engaged kids for generations. There is plenty of "exercise" in the participation songs – I call it "Aerobic folk music", but I'd rather present a quality kids show than present some lame songs just to fit into a specific theme. That can be done with animals, food, and the like but not sports.

**Fee:** \$225 per program

Add \$50 if an overnight is required (shows in the same area on back-to-back days)

**Mileage:** Fee includes mileage for a single program on a single day

**Discount:** 25% discount for more than one show on the same day (can be multiple library locations)

# Michael Drake

## Mr. Pickles



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Waukesha, WI 53186

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**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** Anytime

**Stage Name:** Mr. Pickles

**Performance Title:** Hot Diggity Dog Diggity I need to read!

**Performance Description:** Mr. Pickles is a spontaneous creature of habit! Presenting for the children... "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" Exploding through a very unique animated reading of his whimsical children's books, poem stories, The Growing Books, his personality and overt character draws the kids in to hang around as Mr. Pickles reads from his GIANT versions of his stories. On Your Mark Get Set... Now the stories become songs that the kids stand up and get the wiggles out while singing along to the story they just heard! And that is just the beginning!

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes or more

**Theme Incorporation:** Thru my poem stories/songs: I Think I'd Like To Bee A Bee / Mootsy The Rootsy / The Blue Swing / Dancing With Mr. Brussel Sprout / Gazzoogadrake / Rag Doll / The Garden Hose / To Bee Or Not To Bee / I'm A Dreamer and other songs including My Friends Are Good For Me / The Little People Waltz and Harvest Stew, I'll tie in the importance of eating good healthy food, playing and dancing which requires you to be fit and athletic! As well as the importance of dreaming dreams during the day so you can make those dreams come true no matter what they are!

**Fee:** I can work with your available budget

**Mileage:** Will be established on an individual basis

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:** My music CDs and books will be available for purchase.

# Kay Elmsley-Weeden



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Stoughton, WI 53589

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**Website:** kaytales.com

**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd phone

**Best time to call:** anytime

**Stage Name:** Kay Elmsley Weeden, The Clever Storyteller, La Cuentista Lista

**Performance Title:** ¡Say Olé!

**Performance Description:** I tell stories based on the summer theme, many of which have lots of audience participation. Some of the stories include Spanish which the audience will either know or learn through actions or translation. The stories are geared for ages 4 - 12 for the summer library reading program. In addition there are songs, chants and sometimes a dance.

**Length of Program:** 40 - 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** My program includes stories that have to do with the Olympics, growing great garden foods, and keeping active to stay in shape!

**Fee:** \$200 per program

**Mileage:** \$0.30 per mile

**Discount:** \$25 discount to each library for same day bookings or for each referral that results in another booking.

**Artist Comments:**



**Stephanie Feuerstein**  
**Nature's Guide Independent Naturalist Service**

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**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** 10 am - 2 pm

**Stage Name:** Nature's Guide Independent Naturalist Service

**Performance Title:** Animal Acrobats! A Program About Animal Movement

**Performance Description:** Explore the methods in which different animals move, including turtles, snakes, birds, mammals, and insects. Featuring the book, "Do Goldfish Gallop," by Michael Dahl, this program involves several hands-on materials, highly active large motor skills, and explorations of various live animals and their methods of movement.

**Length of Program:** 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The program will compare the physical means by which animals move and compare them to actions that humans do. Heart rates, muscle groups, and the energy cycle of calories in/calories out will be incorporated into the program through physical activities during the program.

**Fee:** \$200 - \$250 depending on the number of live animals included in the program

Program begins at \$200 with 1 or 2 live animals. Additional fees are due to additional live animals included in the program.

**Mileage:** \$0.56 per mile is added to any program that is located more than 30 miles from Neenah, WI

**Discount:** • Program discounts will be considered on an individual program basis. Multiple programs offered within the same day will be given the discounted price of \$150 for the second program.

# Wayne Francis



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Lakewood, CO 80226

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**Website:** WayneFrancis.com

**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** anytime

**Stage Name:** Wayne & Wingnut Comedy Ventriloquist

**Performance Title:** Wayne & Wingnut in "Strong Mind Strong Heart"

**Performance Description:** Let comedy ventriloquist Wayne Francis & Wingnut barnstorm their way into your hearts. With "life-sized" puppet characters, cartoon voices, original jokes/ music and a banjo made out of a "frying pan", your imagination could not be in better hands. This one of a kind show will have audiences of all ages on the floor with laughter. Don't miss this year's "Strong mind Strong Heart" tour!

**Length of Program:** 50 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Health and wellness starts in your mind. Our show will include custom routines encouraging reading as a way of building knowledge in the areas of nutrition, activity and team play.

**Fee:** \$350 per show

\$300 per show when 3 or more shows are booked

**Mileage:**

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Bruce Giebink

## Bruce the Bug Guy



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Lino Lakes, MN 55014

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**Website:** brucethebugguy.net

**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** 10 am - 3 pm

**Stage Name:** Bruce the Bug Guy

**Performance Title:** The Bug Show: Close Encounters with Insects and Their Relatives

**Performance Description:** I present lively, hands-on programs about insects and related arthropods (spiders, scorpions, millipedes, etc.). LIVE critters, close-up images and other fun props give the audience a unique opportunity to experience and learn about these mysterious and often misunderstood creatures in a close-up, yet safe and interactive manner.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Many youngsters are fascinated by creatures in the natural world, including “bugs.” I introduce the audience to the hidden, mysterious world of bugs and encourage them to explore their nearby natural world (backyard, nearby pond, fields and woods) to see what interesting creatures they can find and observe on their own. To further encourage them to explore nearby habitats for “bugs” and give them a taste of what they could find, I suggest that they check out my book “*Minnesota Bug Hunt*,” which provides a close-up peek (in amazing detail) of Minnesota’s (and the Upper Midwest’s) more interesting and unusual six-legged inhabitants. I also provide some basic, easy-to-follow guidelines to make the bug hunts as successful as possible.

Going on a Bug Hunt is a simple and fun way to learn about the natural world and get some beneficial fresh air & exercise in the process. Finally, a better understanding and appreciation for the important roles insects play in our world, especially with regard to pollination and their critical interactions with other organisms will contribute to the “Wellness” of both us and our environment.

**Fee:** \$250 for 1 hour show

\$450 for 2 back-to-back shows at the same location (1st show = \$250; 2nd show = \$200)

**Mileage:** IRS Rate

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Tim Glander



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Whitewater, WI 53190

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**Website:** [tgmagic.com](http://tgmagic.com)

**Contact Preference:** 1st Phone; 2nd Email

**Best time to call:** 8 am - 12 pm

**Stage Name:** Tim Glander's Magic

**Performance Title:** The Magic of Wellness, Fitness and Sports

**Performance Description:**

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

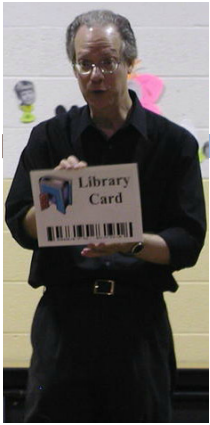
**Theme Incorporation:** Magic and Balloon Sculpting will be used to create miraculous pieces of entertainment using different types of sporting equipment found in children's gym classes and playing fields. Also, the importance of nutrition and reading of various books on these subjects will be encouraged.

**Fee:** \$325 (total fee will be dependent on distance traveled)

**Mileage:**

**Discount:** Discount for 2 or more performances at the same library on the same day.

**Artist Comments:**



## Bruce Hetzler

**Contact:** Bruce Hetzler

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Appleton, WI 54911

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**Website:** wisconsin-library-magic.com

**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** 11 am - 12 pm M-F

**Stage Name:** Magic of Bruce Hetzler

**Performance Title:** Keep Your Brain in Good Health: Read!

**Performance Description:** I present a fun-filled 45-minute program that explores the wonderful world of reading, the library, and the magic found in books, incorporating the children's theme. Children will delight in the magic and also learn how important it is to read books. The show is full of laughs, comedy, magic, and corny things that children love! As a special bonus, all children present receive a free, colorful, sturdy bookmark.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The Tortoise & the Hare: An engaging, hilarious routine based on the classic book about a race between a tortoise and a hare, using two child volunteers. Great magic with a message!

**Reader's Oath:** The entire group of children will stand, raise their hands and take an oath to read each and every day. The oath emphasizes the importance of reading for the health of the brain.

**Fee:** \$275

**Mileage:** \$0.56.5 per mile

**Discount:** \$50 reduction for each library for 2 shows on one day at the same or nearby libraries.

**Artist Comments:**

# Jason Huneke

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Saint Paul, MN 55101

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**Website:** jasonhuneke.com

**Contact Preference:** 1st Email; 2nd Phone

**Best time to call:** anytime

**Stage Name:** Jason Huneke

**Performance Title:** Jason Huneke's Comedy Juggling Show

**Performance Description:** Jason's show is a fun fast paced comedy juggling show for kids of all ages. The show is packed with juggling, the Chinese diablo, balancing, a top hat manipulation routine, unicycling and juggling on a 6 foot unicycle and optional juggling of knives and fire torches. Children are fully engaged throughout the entire show with the technical skills as well as audience participation.

**Length of Program:** 30 - 40 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Jason's show is a perfect fit this year! Jason's performance will show the children how fitness can be fun. Juggling is a great workout, and will be evident with the high energy show...audience volunteers will also join in on stage and see for themselves that juggling takes patients and practice, and the whole process will work out their body and mind.

**Fee:** \$350 for one program

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:** Discount for second show booked the same day is \$300 for each library

**Artist Comments:**

# Bob Kann

## Storyteller / Juggler / Magician



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landline

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**Contact Preference:** 1st Phone; 2nd Email

**Best time to call:** Anytime

**Stage Name:** Bob Kann: Storyteller/Juggler/Magician

**Performance Title:** Forward to Fitness: Read!

**Performance Description:** Race to the top: Read! Reading can help you learn how to keep your mind sharp, your body strong, and your environment healthy. Join the fun, as storyteller/magician/juggler and Professor of Reading Education, Dr. Bob Kann, leads kids on a wild and wonderful sprint to literary, physical, and planetary health. How do you think creatively? Race your brain. How did Harry Houdini train himself to hold his breath for more than 3 minutes? Practice, practice, practice. How do you learn to say your ABC's backwards in less than 10 seconds? By having Bob teach you how to memorize small chunks of information. How do you keep our planet healthy? Take care of the air, water, and land, and read, read, read so that you understand how each person's behavior affects the environment. Bob uses storytelling, juggling, magic, and fast-paced, frolicking fun to teach kids how to race forward to different kinds of fitness through reading.

**Length of Program:** 40 - 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** This performance is entirely devoted to promoting the "Wellness/Fitness/Sports" theme by providing information and participatory activities about different ways to get and stay fit.

**Fee:** \$350 for one performance  
\$600 for two performances  
\$750 for three performances

Several libraries can combine for the fees listed above by scheduling the performances on the same day.

**Mileage:** None

**Artist Comments:**

# Tom Kastle



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**Stage Name:** Tom Kastle

**Performance Title:** Above (and Below) the Waves: Swimming, Sailing, Surfing, and SCUBA-ing!

**Performance Description:** Songs and stories from literature and folk traditions of the water. Tom Kastle is a singer and storyteller who has done sailing, paddling, snorkeling, and scuba diving in the Pacific, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean, and Great Lakes. He has paddled outrigger canoes in Hawaii and even fulfilled a boyhood dream of surfing some waves into Waikiki Beach! Tom is also an actor, touring musician, Coast Guard licensed captain, and PADI certified Open Water Diver currently living outside Madison, WI.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Given the sports, health, fitness theme for 2016, I will be offering a series of song and story performances focusing on fitness/sports/adventure subjects that would be appropriate for any and all ages.

**Fee:** \$350

**Mileage:** \$0.56 per mile

**Discount:** Discounts available for block booking two or more programs in a single day or on consecutive days if housing is provided.

**Artist Comments:**



# Bill Kehl



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**Stage Name:** Bill Kehl

**Performance Title:** Earth, Music...Magic!

**Performance Description:** Engaging, interactive and educational presentation featuring music, humor, active audience involvement and hands-on opportunities with primitive musical instruments.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Music and wellness go hand in hand...a keep appreciation and love of music contribute to our overall well-being and sense of wonder in the world!

**Fee:** \$250 per program

**Mileage:** \$0.50 per mile

**Discount:** Discounts available for multiple programs in same location on same day

**Artist Comments:**

# David Landau



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**Stage Name:** David Landau

**Performance Title:** The David Landau Show - Music and Laughter for Kids

**Performance Description:** This is an upbeat musical program that keeps kids engaged and constantly thinking. The kids sing some, move some, act some, dance some, shout just a little bit, and laugh a bunch. The adults just sit back and enjoy the show.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** I am a former first grade teacher. My program is specifically designed for young children. It is very interactive and very fun. The kids will move and groove to songs about healthy foods, waddle and fly as they imitate animal movements and laugh out loud at the constant high-brow comedy. Kids will leave this show happier than when they arrived.

**Fee:** \$250 for 1 performance  
\$150 for each additional performance

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

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**Stage Name:** Capstone Characters

**Performance Title:** Toss Your Cookies!

**Performance Description:** Gameshow style presentation whereby contestants earn points by answering questions pertaining to books.

**Length of Program:** Approximately 40 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Contestants will have an obstacle course to maneuver through as part of game show. Obstacle course will be adapted to fit size of performance area.

**Fee:** \$125 per show

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Ron Lindberg



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**Stage Name:** Rondini

**Performance Title:** The Magic of Reading

**Performance Description:** Rondini got his start in Magic by reading a book from the Menasha library when he was just 12 years old. Currently he is one of the states busiest entertainers and is a full time performer. He was voted the Fox Valleys favorite performer numerous times and his shows include comedy, a lot of audience participation and magic to music and features Einstein, the world's cutest bunny. His shows can fit in any venue from a small area to a large meeting room. If desired, he can also bring along an assistant and do large illusions as well. If desired, he can perform his WEIRD SCIENCE COMEDY SHOW instead. [www.weirdscienceshow.com](http://www.weirdscienceshow.com) The science show features Rondini as DOC RON, a student of Doc Brown of BACK TO THE FUTURE fame. He performs some science experiments, again with a lot of music and fun.

**Length of Program:** 30 - 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:**

**Fee:** \$250 for 30 minute program

\$350 for 45 minute program

**Mileage:** \$0.50 per mile

**Discount:** \$600 for two 45 minute shows same date within a reasonable distance and within a 3 hour period

**Artist Comments:**

# Ken Lonnquist



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**Stage Name:** Ken Lonnquist

**Performance Title:** One Speed Bike!

**Performance Description:** Ken is a songwriter, singer and guitarist. He's quick-on-his-feet and improvisational, making every show a surprising, in-the-moment experience for audiences. He performs both SOLO and with his terrific partner, keyboardist Dave Adler!

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Ken's huge repertoire of funny original songs includes plenty that celebrate exercise, healthy habits and sports stories. From the bike-riding speedster in **One Speed Bike** to the basketball-playing heroine of **Slam Dunk**, kids will sing and laugh along to a high-energy concert filled with lyrical content to challenge and expand their vocabularies... and imaginations! There'll be songs about swimming (**Vicious Fishes**), tree-climbing (**Morgan Menezes**), baseball (**Right Field**), football (**Keep Your Drive Alive!**), running (**High-Top Tennies**) and more.

Ken performs both SOLO and in a DUO with his terrific partner, keyboardist Dave Adler!

**Fee:** Solo Fee: \$250 for 1 show  
\$450 for 2 shows  
\$600 for 3 shows

Duo Fee: \$350 for 1 show  
\$600 for 2 shows  
\$800 for 3 shows

**Mileage:** \$0.51 per mile

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Jason Love

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**Stage Name:** Jason Love

**Performance Description:** **The Amazing Jason Love - Magic Show:**

Jason Love provides a magic show that is both hilarious and amazing. His performances include circus skills, magic, and comedy. He has something for everyone to enjoy!

Jason is easy to work with and able to adapt to any situation. He has performed on America's Got Talent, Six Flags Theme Park Main Stage, the Travel Channel, NPR, and the Tonight Show with Jay Leno.

**Length:** 45-minute magic show

**2015 Price:** Magic show - \$385 (includes travel)

**Jason Love's Amazing Balloon Sculptures**

Balloon Twisting can add a little color to your event. With Jason Love's large variety of balloon creations, your patrons will be amazed. He has a never-ending list of balloon animals, hats, vehicles, and more to choose from.

This skilled performer is also available to teach workshops in magic or balloon twisting for an educational event.

**Length:** Balloon Twisting – 2 hour minimum

Magic and/or Balloon twisting Workshops – 45 or 90 Minutes

**2015 Price (All prices include travel):** Balloon Twisting - \$150 per hour (minimum 2 hours)

75-Minute Balloon/Magic Workshops - \$390

45-Minute Balloon/Magic Workshops - \$320

**Learn To Animate Workshop**

Workshop participants will walk away with the knowledge of how to create animated videos using equipment they can find at home. This is a hands-on workshop that is developed around project based learning.

Students will create their own animated videos during class. These videos will be posted on YouTube for them to see and share with friends and family!

We also offer the option to have a DVD created for students and the library to keep in their collection.

This workshop is for ages 12 and up. Adults are welcome to attend.

**Length:** Animation Workshop – 2.5 hours

Animation Lecture – 1 hour

**2015 Price (All prices include travel):** Animation Workshop - \$415; *Add \$65 if you would like each student to get a DVD of all the videos made during the workshop.*

Animation Lecture - \$310

**Theme Incorporation:** **Magic Show:** Jason includes stories and examples of Wellness and Fitness during his acts. For example, during his juggling act he references the muscles, type of exercises needed, and the importance of a healthy lifestyle for being able to juggle.

**Animation Workshop:** The participants create short videos that relate to any topic. We can restrict the choices to Wellness/Fitness/Sports videos.

Animation allows students to create anything their mind can come up with. Some examples of videos the kids could make include: people playing sports, healthy food chasing off bad food, the formation of a food pyramid, etc., etc.

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:** Multiple shows on the same day is 25% off each event.

Multiple shows within 1 day of each other, 15% discount off each event

# Jeff McMullen



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**Stage Name:** Jeff McMullen, Comedy Magician / AKA Mr. Jeff

**Performance Title:** The Magic of Laughter...Ready, Set, Read!

**Performance Description:** Interactive, age appropriate comedy magic

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** “The Magic of Laughter...Ready, Set, Read!” is just what the doctor ordered for a healthy mindset. Jeff shares through magic, the value of making good decisions, why its important to laugh and how having a healthy mindset is important at home, in school and of course in sports as a good teammate. **Attitude is everything!**

**Fee:** \$250 per show

**Mileage:** IRS mileage rate

**Discount:** Deduct \$25 per show for multiple same day bookings

**Artist Comments:**



## Michael (Mike) Neumeyer

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**Stage Name:** Mike Neumeyer

**Performance Title:** Marimba ( or Vibraphone) & Piano Variety Show

**Performance Description:** Jokes, Music, Juggling, and a VERY cool instrument; the marimba! (or the vibraphone!) I play and present percussion instruments. Whether it is being played or not, the marimba/vibraphone is visually appealing. They are very large and they are played with four mallets at one time! There are not many musical sounds that are more natural and pleasing than bars of wood being played by soft yarn or soothing metal bars.... ooh...

The presentation includes great music making, fun jokes/comedy and even juggling! Very cool activities to balance out learning about a new instrument!

For younger audiences I present the marimba as an entity in itself, teaching them about the instrument and engaging them in participatory activities using movement, listening, and singing. An example of this is my "color-coded mallets" activity. Audience members get to choose a color of mallet that I am using to follow with their eyes while I play. Then, those mallets give commands to hop, skip, gallop, and other fun movements. Listeners and watchers also might be asked to step to the beat that the right hand is moving to, while other listeners are following the left hand. Many variations of these games exist.

Depending on the size of the group, audience members will get opportunities to look at the instrument very closely and even play it! Singing activities are very applicable for the marimba, playing harmonies under our voices just like a guitar. Tunes I like to play and sing include well-known folk songs, nursery rhymes, Disney tunes, and more. For older listeners, I like playing cheesy hit and video game themes or playing popular tunes on marimba, like Beatles tunes for example.

I have conducted several master classes and workshops on percussion technique as well as general music education in Central Wisconsin and South-Eastern Wisconsin, presenting the marimba to grade levels K-12. I also have ample experience at libraries in WI and IL. Bringing this experience to a more general audience is a wonderful endeavor, which I want to continue.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes (could be longer or shorter)

**Theme Incorporation:** Music is part of wellness in general. It may be emotional wellness or physical wellness. We will talk about how healing the marimba and vibraphone sound is! We can close our eyes and practice meditation together and we can just enjoy happy and more dramatic music to let go of whatever is in our minds!

Also, we can do marching and walking around the room to music for a physical approach! Let's do some jumping jacks to more exciting music! Now, let's use relaxing music to settle down... (do your stretching!)

All while learning about cool new instruments!

**Fee:** \$350 Marimba Variety Shows  
\$250 Vibraphone Variety Shows  
\$150 Piano Variety Shows

**Mileage:** Mileage is charged

**Discount:** Discounts may be negotiated for multiple performances

**Artist Comments:** **Performing Area:** 10 by 10 feet, plus room for audience and potential movement activities  
**Requirements:** Indoors



# Mark Nilsen



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**Stage Name:** Magic Mark

## Performance Title:

**Performance Description:** Magic Mark is an experienced performer who understands children, and engages them on a level that makes them feel important and welcomed. Children are more than an audience; the Magic Mark show *involves* all the children at some level, and allows them to be an active part of the show! Imagine the empowerment when a child “catches” Mark at a trick – only to be fooled in an unexpected, fun way! Ask others who have seen the program: this show never fails to get roars of laughter, looks of amazed wonder, and squeals of delight from the children (and makes for happy parents).

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes, but can be adapted to fit your programming needs

**Theme Incorporation:** Studies have shown that keeping the mind active helps to prevent both mental and physical ailments. Through the magic, my program encourages children to “figure out” the magic, and makes them partners in the healthy creative process. As with all my themed programs, the “Wellness/Fitness/Sports” theme is not awkwardly shoe-horned into the content, but instead is naturally and comfortably combined by utilizing books of matching content, and references that are easily understood by the age group. The children will realize that they all can be healthy by simply being active. Fitness can be fun!

**Fee:** \$325

Multiple shows at same location on same day: \$295 first show, \$200 each subsequent show

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:** Multiple shows on same day at different locations within 15 mile radius, who book their programs together can receive a \$50/show discount.

**Artist Comments:**

# Scott Obermann



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**Stage Name:** Great Scott

**Performance Title:** Tricks - They're Magically Nutritious!

**Performance Description:** Great Scott is the nutrition magician bringing a fun combination of magic and message regarding a healthy lifestyle. He'll present a few 'tricks' to getting more active and eating healthy. What better way to learn about health than by laughing and getting involved in the program. We'll have plenty of audience interaction. You'll hear lots of oohs and ahhs. Plus we'll point kids to the health benefits of reading. How cool is that?

So, what can you expect from this program? How about amazing magic, very-cool ventriloquism, appropriate mood-setting music, fantastic fun everyone –all rolled into a well-designed, professional show for kids and families.

**Length of Program:** 45-50 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The program includes information from ChooseMyPlate.gov and other sources to present key elements of living a more healthy lifestyle.

1. Get more active (this includes activity for the brain –like reading)
2. Choose water
3. Eat balanced meals
4. Choose healthy snacks

These points are rolled into magic tricks or ventriloquism skits that subtly drive the points home while entertaining everyone.

**Fee:** \$365 for a single show

\$325 for 2 shows on the same day (may share date with another library)

\$295 for 3 shows on the same day (may share date with another library)

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Randy Peterson



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**Stage Name:** Randy Peterson

**Performance Title:** Randy's Reading Pep Rally

**Performance Description:** A musical pep rally for reading. 45 minutes of lively, audience participation-filled, sing along fun. I play guitar, banjo, and do some storytelling and songs a capella.

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** The *entire program* will be built around the theme, and the show will be very active with a lot of motions and movement. Wellness, fitness, and sports will all be incorporated into the show, while in the end it will be a pep rally for reading. The main message will be that all readers are winners.

**Fee:** \$325

**Mileage:** None

- Discount:**
- Any day when two or three libraries are booked on the same day, the fee is \$300 per library.
  - If two shows are at the SAME library on the same day, the fee will be \$500 for the 2 shows.
  - If six or more Winnefox Library System libraries book me anytime over the summer, the fee will be \$300 per show even if some or all the shows are on separate days. (Unless it is the 'two shows at the same library' discount shown above, in which you can go with the better deal for that day)

**Artist Comments:**

# Kathy Prestidge



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**Stage Name:** Kathy Prestidge

**Performance Title:** Stories and More

**Performance Description:** Kathy performs traditional and modern folktales with a twist of humor, a tingle of fear or a touch of wisdom for all ages. Storytelling “exercises” the thinking and stimulates listeners to create mind movies while Kathy weaves a pattern of words and images. Her programs include “stand up, sit down, turn around” activities and audience participation. Also available, Storytelling Plus Maker Programs, such as Origami Tales, Pancake Tales, or Bread Tales, in which the stories are followed by a creative project. Want something unique? Just ask!

**Length of Program:** 45 - 50 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** In addition to active audience participation, the stories will feature characters running, walking, jumping or building their strength. Kathy will connect the stories with simple suggestions for healthy eating and exercise.

**Fee:** \$125 per performance

\$100 per performance for same day booking

\$10 supplies charge per 50 people for Maker programs

**Mileage:** Mileage within 25 miles of Appleton included in base rate; \$0.50 per mile otherwise

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Taku Ronsman



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**Stage Name:** Ms Taku

**Performance Title:** Total fitness - Head to Toe!

**Performance Description:** Children will dance to a variety of music from around the world and learn about healthy fruits and vegetables to eat from different countries.

**Length of Program:** 45 – 60 minutes as requested by the library

**Theme Incorporation:** Ms. Taku will encourage the parents to check out books and videos about sports, games, dance and music from around the world to read/watch with their children, or for older children to read/watch on their own. They will also be encouraged to check out cookbooks to learn how to make healthy meals with food used in different cultures.

**Fee:** \$100 - \$200 based on distance from Green Bay

**Mileage:** None

**Discount:** Discount available if 2 books are made for the same day

**Artist Comments:**

# Mike Schneider

## Uncle Mike



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**Stage Name:** Uncle Mike

**Performance Title:** Pint Size Polkas / "Ready, Set, Polka!"

**Performance Description:** Get up and move to the happy sounds of polka music with Uncle Mike's, "Ready, Set, Polka!" program, perfect for 2016's CSLP summer reading theme! Your patrons will have the chance to test their fitness with a multitude of dance opportunities, like special Pint Size Polkas versions of the "Hokey Pokey," the "Chicken Dance," and "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes." Young trivia buffs will enjoy a number of age-appropriate and theme-related questions designed to encourage further reading. This engaging and interactive program is rounded out by a special edition of Name That Tune featuring iconic sports theme songs from the worlds of professional football and the Olympics. Volunteer, participation and sing along opportunities abound in this winning program that promises to be fun for all ages!

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes, flexible according to event need

**Theme Incorporation:** Each occupation segment will relate to amazing feats in the world of sports. Trivia questions, "Name that Tune" songs, and suggested reading will also revolve around this exciting topic.

**Fee:** \$250 base performance fee

**Mileage:** IRS Standard Mileage Rate

**Additional Fees:** \$25 per show discount will apply if multiple libraries book the same day or as part of the same trip. Mileage is shared among participating libraries.

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**



## The Science Alliance Bill Bosworth

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**Stage Name:**

**Performance Title:**

**Performance Description:** The Science Alliance offers SEVEN different science programs in Health, Physics, Chemistry, Electricity, Reptiles, Entomology and the Environment. We include many kid volunteers in each presentation!

**Length of Program:** 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** "Get Hip to Health" explores how to keep your body healthy! "Reptomania" and "Bugs Bettles Bookworms" will compare human bodies with reptiles and insects!

**Fee:** Single program is \$475

Double programs discounted to \$425 each

**Mileage:** Included in program cost

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# David Stokes



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**Stage Name:** David Stokes Frog Chorus Nature Education

**Performance Title:** Fit Where You Live: Animal Adaptations

**Performance Description:** Focusing on Animal Adaptations, behaviors and structures, we will examine live animals (where possible), artifacts, puppets, and human tools. Songs and sign-language will be used in the delivery. Bring your camera.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Animals possess behaviors and structures that help them fit where they live. I will share in a fun engaging way what these adaptations are using puppets, live animals and animal artifacts.

**Fee:** \$275 per show

**Mileage:** \$0.55 per mile if only one show.

Mileage waived if multiple shows in one day or consecutive days (negotiable).

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**



# Stuart Stotts



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**Stage Name:** Stuart Stotts

**Performance Title:** Ready, Set, Read!

**Performance Description:** Stuart Stotts sings, tells stories, and celebrate the joys of reading with humor, movement and lots of participation. A captivating storyteller, Stuart, feels the fire of reading with tales that promote curiosity and wonder. His songs gets you singing, laughing, and moving along. Stuart celebrates books, and also libraries, with his song “Always Something for Everyone at the Library.”

**Length of Program:** 45 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** I will be singing my song “Muscles” as well as telling stories about competition and cooperation.

**Fee:** \$350 per show

**Mileage:** Additional

**Discount:** Discounts available for multiple bookings. Discounts depend on number of other libraries and distance travelled.

**Artist Comments:**

# Curt Strutz



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**Stage Name:** The Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular

**Performance Title:** The Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular

**Performance Description:** Take a splash of science, a blob of humor, throw in some hillbillies, and what do you get? You get the explosive good time of the Hillbilly Silly Science Spectacular. Watch as the two zany hillbillies put a new twist on the world of science, using their brain power to demonstrate all of their homemade science experiments they are gearing up for their next science fair! You will laugh, learn, and discover a new meaning to the term "Weird Science!"

**Length of Program:** 45 - 50 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** We make it a point to incorporate the summer reading consortium theme into our presentations. Our main focus will be science and humor, but we bring subtle hints of the theme into the show and use it to enhance the program. These subtle hints include costuming, dialogue, and working experiments that tie into the theme.

**Fee:** \$300 per show

**Mileage:** \$0.50 per mile

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Mary Tooley

## Art in a Suitcase



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**Best time to call:** Anytime

**Stage Name:** Art in a Suitcase

**Performance Title:** Run Like a Cheetah, Hop Like a Hare  
How Do You Compare?

**Performance Description:** For the Summer of 2016, Art in a Suitcase will be exercising kids' bodies and brains. Cheetahs, hares, hummingbirds, flamingos, fleas, crickets and lizards are among the record breaking animals featured. After learning terrific and true animal facts, the group will try to run like a cheetah, hop like a hare, flap as fast as a hummingbird and imitate other animal actions. NOTE: WE WILL BE EXERCISING IN PLACE SO ANY ROOM IS SUITABLE FOR THIS PROGRAM. The hour concludes with brain exercise; creating an origami cheetah to take home. It's fun, healthy, library-oriented learning and it is affordable!

**Length of Program:** 60 minutes but will stay until the last child finishes their art.

**Theme Incorporation:** I have written and researched this program specifically for the health and fitness theme. Since children love learning the true facts about animals, and many animals are fitness champions, the program gets kids both thinking and moving. No need to get the wiggles out beforehand!

**Fee:** Fee is \$180.00 per program which includes mileage and art supplies

Two programs booked for the same day are \$140 each.

**Mileage:** Included in program fee

**Discount:** See above

# Fred Turk



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**Stage Name:** Grandpa Fred Turk

**Performance Title:** Wiggle, Giggle, Read

**Performance Description:** My participatory programs includes me playing the banjo, while selected children are up front using puppets, and other props to accompany my songs. The audience participates with actions and words. Even adults have their own part in certain songs. I have been called a natural with children. I should be, after teaching elementary children for 34 years. My audience will have a toe tapping, hand clapping, foot stomping good time.

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Music makes people want to move. I capture those feelings getting the audience to move to the music. Music also makes you feel. Part of wellness is how you feel about yourself. I use my original songs to help explore feelings about ones self, others, and your surroundings. I always include a commercial for the reading program, asking how many children are signed up. We also point out, if the children are unsure what the reading program is, we point out who has all the answers; their librarian.

**Fee:** \$160 for one show

\$100 per show if two shows are booked for the same day. If additional shows are at a different location, allow travel time and 30 minute set up time before start times.

**Mileage:** Included in program fee

**Discount:** See above

# Amy Wilde



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**Best time to call:** Mornings

**Stage Name:** Amy Wilde

**Performance Title:** Henna Body Art Workshop

**Performance Description:** This program focuses on beautiful art of Mehndi (henna). Amy Wilde/Castle Art & Import has been importing henna since 1997. She is well versed in the henna arts and has taken many seminars & classes for henna. Amy is certified via International Certification For Natural Henna Arts. Amy/ Castle Art & Import has also been doing henna at local fairs and festivals as well. Amy will explain what henna is and what it does to the skin & hair. She will break down a typical henna kit and show participants how to mix up henna to make a great smooth paste for body art application. There will be instruction on how to do simple designs, and instructions on applications. Amy will answer any questions as she goes along. In the second part of the program, supplies are passed out for participants to use on each other. Amy will also do a small/medium design on each participant. Amy takes time to work individually with all the participants. The class will be fun and interactive. Henna is a wonderful art medium and it is an art form for everyone. 20 participants for 2 hours. If a bigger group, more time is needed, please contact Amy.

**Length of Program:** 2 hours

**Theme Incorporation:** Henna will have to go under wellness. Henna is an amazing plant, it is a natural antiseptic and has many health benefits. It will kill nail fungus, Bugs, like lice & ticks do not like henna. Henna conditions the skin and it has a cooling effect. It is a safe way to dye hair (no chemicals) it's a natural sunscreen. Henna is being used to curb the side effects of certain chemo therapies. Chemo causes sever dryness of the hands & feet, the henna will provide relief.

**Fee:** \$75 per hour (2 hour minimum)

If more than 20 participants, more time is needed to give everyone a henna design.

**Mileage:** IRS rate

**Discount:**

**Artist Comments:**

# Zoozort Corporation

## Noelle Tarrant, Zoozort Live Animal Programs



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**Best time to call:** 11 am

**Stage Name:** Zoozort Live Animal Programs

**Performance Title:** USDA Licensed Animal Exhibitor

**Performance Description:** Zoozort is a wildlife company specializing in entertaining, educational live animal shows. Getting children and adults involved by letting them see and touch the animals with an interactive program that teaches about habitat, nutrition, conservation, and appreciation. Animals are taken out one at a time, fun and interesting facts are given in an entertaining way. It's the perfect combination of fact and fun! I have raised many of these animals from babies and adopted some, allowing me to tell stories about each specific animal; giving the audience an experience of getting to know each animal. Programs can be tailored to any size audience, simply choose the animals that you would like to see and I'll customize a program just for you, making it age appropriate so everyone has a great time. It is common knowledge that most people remember what they enjoy; Zoozort uses a positive and fun approach so you do not even realize you are learning. For very large groups, my programs can be done from a stage; in this case only volunteers are called up to help with feeding and holding. While working as a nursery school teacher, Noelle Tarrant discovered an exciting and safe way for children to imagine and explore the world of animals. Bringing animals into her classroom and then into private homes, she has been a licensed animal educator since 1990. Her experience working with children of all ages has given her the ability to capture their attention and maintain an almost story-telling atmosphere with interactive questions and demonstrations. Her enthusiasm about animals is contagious and she loves being able to share her passion for animal welfare with children and adults.  
Length of program: 45minute to an hour

**Length of Program:** 45 - 60 minutes

**Theme Incorporation:** Wallabies can jump 4 – 5 feet in the air, they rely on strong muscles in their legs to do this. Kinkajous have a prehensile tail, which allows them to climb in the canopy of the rainforest. Animals have both physical and behavioral features that help them to survive within their environment; it's all about staying healthy and strong. Understanding why these animals have adaptations opens up a whole new world of appreciation for nature.

**Fee:** \$400.00 for up to 150 people  
\$500.00 for 150 people or more

**Mileage:** 1 hour of travel = no extra charge  
Over an hour = \$25 charge  
2 hours = \$50 charge

**Discount:** I can do two programs in one day; either at the same library or for two libraries that are 30 minutes or less from each other. In this case there will be no travel fee.

**Artist Comments:**